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5. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES

Dropped off the following: (1) with Christine Cohagen of Senator Cranston's (D., Ca.) office, our reply concerning a constituent's inquiry on the Agency's secret budget; (2) with Charlotte Wilmer of Representative John Breaux's (D., La.) office, a suggested reply to a constituent's inquiry; (3) at House Agriculture Committee, Soviet livestock statistics for Steve Allen (staff consultant) as follow-up items to the 8 August briefing on Soviet grain; (4) at House International Relations Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research, material on the PRC for Joyce Shub.

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6. [REDACTED] CONSTITUENT I called Ms. Debbie Marinem, in the office of Senator Birch Bayh (D., Ind.). She needed a status report on the [REDACTED] case in order to respond to a constituent inquiry. I told her that we were not yet in litigation and that the attorney for the [REDACTED] family had requested a series of documents and that the Agency was also responding to a FOI request from the family. I mentioned that the Agency had released a set of files on presidential direction several weeks ago. The foregoing seemed to satisfy her interest for the moment. My response was based on information from OGC.

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16. [] LIAISON During the course of the day I talked separately with Clark McFadden (General Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee), Guy McConnell (staff of Senate Appropriations Committee), Richard Moose (staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee) and Jack Brady (staff of the House International Relations Committee), on the issue of whether the [] project should be conducted under []

[] The consensus of these individuals was that unless the Defense Department was directly involved in the contracting, they saw no reason why the negotiations should be subject to the Foreign Military Sales Act and, in fact, thought it would be more appropriate if carried out by commercial contract. They all noted that the DOD is supersensitive on this subject because of the bad experience they have had in the [] case and other recent cases of negotiations under the Foreign Military Sales Act. However, they did not feel this was a sufficient reason for utilization of the Foreign Military Sales Act in this instance. Brady, who feels particularly knowledgeable in this field, said he would be happy to talk with our people further about this if we desire. I have informed the Director, General Wilson and [] of these conversations.

17. [] LIAISON Talked with [] OCI, about the request we received from Rich Gilmore, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, for information on how we develop our crop forecasting and also whether we share any information in this subject area with U.S. corporations. I told [] we proposed to contact Chuck Meissner, of the Committee staff, and whom we have briefed on related topics, and suggest he communicate this information to Gilmore. If Gilmore has further questions we will be glad to talk with him (and set him straight regarding our contacts with U.S. corporations) but we will not get into matters involving intelligence sources and methods.

18. [] LIAISON Placed a call to Tim Ingram, Staff Director, Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, House Government Operations Committee, to advise him that I had material to provide him in connection with the Subcommittee's request concerning the [] case, but he was no longer in the office at 6:00 p.m. I left a message with his answering service at his home to call me over the weekend regarding this matter, but I received no call.

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